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**From:** Kawaguchi, Grant  
**To:** Hamayasu, Toru  
**Sent:** 6/2/2005 9:09:43 AM  
**Subject:** RE: GET transportation question

Thank you for the quick reply, Toru. This information is exactly what I was looking for. I will check with the Chair if he wants the transcript and contact Pam if he does.

Mahalo,  
Grant

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**From:** Hamayasu, Toru  
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**To:** Kawaguchi, Grant  
**Cc:** Pam  
**Subject:** RE: GET transportation question

Grant,

I was at this morning's meeting with the Governor. The statement regarding the federal requirement to have the local funding mechanism in place prior to the inclusion of a fixed guideway system in the Oahu Regional Transportation Plan (ORTP) was made by Councilman Garcia. The regional plan, called a long range plan in the federal planning regulation, is a required document to insure the eligibility for the future federal funds. It is a 20 year plan and it needs to be updated every five years.

Councilman Garcia was restating what was stated by the Federal Transit Administration's Region IX Administrator, Leslie Rogers, at the Intermodal Planning Group (IPG) meeting in March. It is not a standard requirement but something FTA had imposed to Honolulu because of the Honolulu's past experience in requesting the federal funds first and canceling the project due to the lack of local support.

Pam Toyooka of OMPO (523-4178) can provide you with the minutes or tape/transcript of the IPG meeting as the evidence of Leslie Rogers' statement.

Toru

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**From:** Kawaguchi, Grant  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 01, 2005 2:11 PM  
**To:** Hamayasu, Toru  
**Subject:** GET transportation question

Aloha, Toru,

This is Grant Kawaguchi from Council Chair Dela Cruz's office. I have a GET question that OCS said you would be able to answer. Council Chair Dela Cruz attended a meeting at the Governor's office today and it was mentioned that the City needs to pass the GET increase in order to secure the local funding mechanism prior to OMPO finalizing the OMSTP (?).

I'm not sure who said this, as I wasn't at the meeting, but I'm guessing that individual was referring to the requirement of the City to secure local funding in order to receive federal money. Do you know where I can get a copy of this requirement in writing? I'm pretty sure this written requirement would come from the federal government but I was hoping you might be able to point me in the right direction. Should I contact DTS?

Thank you very much for your consideration. Please feel free to give me a call at x.5670 or e-mail me.

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Mahalo,  
Grant

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